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## Germany Must Surrender.

President Wilson, in his note to Germany last night, said:  
"If (we) must deal with the military masters of the monarchial  
autocrats of Germany now, or if it is likely to have to deal with them  
later in regard to the international obligations of the German Empire,  
(we) must demand, not peace negotiations, but surrender. Nothing  
can be gained by leaving this essential thing unsaid."

It was not necessary for President Wilson to say more than this.  
This paragraph in itself is quite sufficient to strip all German peace  
proposals of every vestige of hypocrisy which has camouflaged them.  
The President has spoken with the utmost finality that there can be  
no peace with autocracy except the peace that comes on the heels of  
unconditional surrender.

The distrust that every one felt at the German bargainings is ex-  
pressed openly by the President, so openly in fact that there can no  
longer be any question in the minds of the American people as to  
how the President looks upon the pseudo-reforms which the German  
government so glibly said it had accomplished.

When the President says "nothing can be gained by leaving this  
essential thing unsaid," he strikes the crux of the entire exchange of  
notes, and it is doubtful whether this "essential" point will ever be  
satisfactorily negotiated with the allied governments.

President Wilson's latest note to Germany comes as a relief to  
every American. Every uncertainty has now been removed and  
Americans hope that the end of peace notes, which have led to no-  
where, has come.

America knows that she still is at war, and since no peace can  
be negotiated with murderers we are in the war until the enemy has  
surrendered unconditionally.

It looks as if that "crumbling" Bolshevik regime would outlast  
the Kaiser's.

If the 10 kills next month's political activities it won't have been  
an unmixed evil.

The real test for patriotism is not "signing up" for a liberty  
bond—it's paying up.

Reliable fishermen report that even the German carp are swim-  
ming backward these days!

What would the war poets do if "Yanks" didn't rhyme with  
"tanks" and "Hun" with "run"?

The Food Administration has banned tree cheese with beer and  
tea shoots for boys. Damn the Kaiser.

When peace comes we are going to punish all those palatially  
interned German spies by driving them out into the miseries of civil  
life!

Breadstuffs shipments to the allies must be increased 3,000,000  
tons over last year, says Herb Hoover. Back to the corn pone for  
patriots!

The 10 verbs too tiny to be seen under a microscope, but when  
you've swallowed it you don't care much to look down microscopes  
anyhow.

A layman at the front would wonder at the insatiable appetite of  
our army horses till closer inspection revealed the "nose-bags" to be  
gas masks.

Wounded soldiers lend each other their wooden legs. Sounds  
like Shakespeare's three witches in "Macbeth" passing around the  
one eye they shared between them.

A serious outbreak of lockjaw is reported in the German army.  
Take warning, you Americans who try to pronounce the names of  
those French towns those Germans are evacuating!

Florida negroes have organized to sell 10,000,000 thrift stamps to  
their race. The man who put the can in American also included  
African and was determined to tie a can to the Kaiser!

Capt. Rizzo and those with him who sank the Austrian dread-  
naught "St. Stephen," have been awarded \$250,000 prize money. A  
sort of after-the-war "sinking fund," so to speak.

Speaking of Garfield's plea to walk downstairs and save fuel that  
extra elevator operation requires, a contemporary says, "the use of  
legs is almost taboo in New York." We wonder if our content has  
ever fathomed the reason for Gotham ladies' inclination toward "brev-  
ity" in skirts!

Perhaps Wilson, in failing to advocate the return of stolen Schles-  
wig and Holstein to Denmark felt that he had to draw the line some-  
where. If he took away from Germany all the territory she had  
stolen, there'd be no place for the Germans to call home. And the  
Lord knows we don't want them hunting new homes all over the  
world.

## The Old Gang on the Corner.

By WILLIAM HERSCHELL in Collier's.

The Old Gang on the Corner! What an arrant tribe they were;  
The Widow Kelly's Connie—he had always worried her!  
The Schultz boys, Jake and Rudy; the parson's own, Chub Smith,  
"Who," sister told the neighbors, "they can't do nothin' with."  
Young Tony Boots, the Dago, and Scamp, the tinner's son—  
To them a mischief thought of was a mischief quickly done.

The Old Gang on the Corner! In the arc light's friendly glow  
They trooped each night till Tim the Cop came by and made them go.  
But all that now is ended, for the Sword of Hate was drawn—  
The Old Gang on the Corner from its happy haunt is gone.  
The street lamp idly sputters; Tim, the lonely, walks his beat,  
His good heart well aching for the Old Gang in the street.

The Old Gang on the Corner! Now each loyal mother brags  
No other neighborhood can boast as many service flags.  
Con Kelly's won a sergeantcy; the parson's black-sheep son  
Has had his picture printed for heroic deeds he's done.  
The Schultz boys, in the navy, though they yet are in their teens,  
Are mates with Scamp and Tony in the chase for submarines.

The Old Gang on the Corner! Yes, we've all forgotten now  
The Halloween they calmed down McDougall's muley cow.  
We've put aside the memories of cream and cake they stole  
When our church had a festival to pay for last year's coal.  
All that is in the Yesterday—they're now our fighting men—  
And, God, won't we be happy if they all come home again?



Baseball fans of the city will be  
interested in the Nevada Senatorial  
race.

Walter Johnson's papa-in-law, Con-  
gressman Roberts, is a candidate for  
the place against present Senator  
Henderson, and will, of course, have  
the Republican machine behind him  
with all vigor.

Anne Martin is Jeanette's sister and  
is looking over the election returns  
on the 8th of November, and for a  
few mornings thereafter, don't forget  
to look out Nevada way and see  
whether the smoke king is to have  
joy or gloom in his home for a few  
days after that.

The mere process of exchanging  
ideas with the enemy is distressing  
folks of the nation to an extreme  
length, and this is the case.

There are phases of the interna-  
tional situation in which not even  
some of the wise men on the hill are  
at all versed, and they and the folks  
of the country would well until all  
phases of our extremely delicate situ-  
ation are considered by the Presi-  
dent himself.

The President finds the task not at  
all uninteresting, but he expects it to be  
He has been studying for months on  
the very problems he is meeting now  
—and with the fullest information  
from every land in the world to sup-  
plement his own inexhaustible infor-  
mation.

It seems inconceivable to  
think that those of only sporadic  
knowledge and occasional and some-  
times woefully distant information  
about the situation, and so it would  
be best if we all would withhold  
judgment on what the President does  
until some time after he has done it.

The same view that compels the Re-  
publican members of the House and  
Senate to remain at "mark time"  
must come to an end and give oppor-  
tunity to become loosened once more.

The second invitation was not needed,  
from what we can hear, to make  
them vent their spite upon the Presi-  
dent for all of the forced delay  
they have had.

But it would be both the better  
part of discretion and patriotism to  
remain silent until the President has  
said more. More strength can be gathered  
for our cause by following this  
course than by allowing our tongues  
too free play.

The current issue of the National  
Republican, the national organ of the  
political party after which it is  
named, leaves no room for doubt as  
to where it stands on the third of the  
fourteen passages suggested by  
President Wilson.

For that paper insists that the pro-  
vision mentioned means free trade  
and it proceeds to say, with much  
vehemence:

"The removal of economic barriers"  
among the nations," is interpreted by  
free traders everywhere as meaning  
free trade. Yet the man who can't for-  
get his "responsibility" as the leader  
of a great political party—uses these  
very words and declares for this very  
thing in one of his addresses recent-  
ly. The war aims that we are sup-  
posed to be fighting for. This would  
mean that German goods are to be  
permitted to come into the country to  
compete with our own industries.  
The contrary it is in exact accord  
with all their previous utterances on  
the subject of the tariff. And a vote  
for any one of them means a vote for  
that very thing. To be consistent the  
man who has opposed to this should  
vote for the Republican candidate for  
Congress and for the Republican can-  
didate for senator.

One of the conditions imposed upon  
Russia by the armistice was the  
removal of all economic barriers.  
The exploitation of the Russian mar-  
kets by German traders, and the con-  
sequent repression of Russian indus-  
try was one of the causes of the bit-  
terness between Germany and Russia  
that eventuated in war. Free trade  
is perhaps the most fruitful cause of  
war. It enables one nation to exploit  
the markets of another without re-  
straint, thereby promoting interna-  
tional ill will. If the American peo-  
ple were compelled, by a treaty of  
commerce, to open their markets to  
invasion by alien productive interests  
armed with the weapon of a cheap-  
ness attained by the cheapening of  
the producer, it is not unlikely that  
in a dozen years we would be ready  
to go to war, if necessary, to  
secure our economic independence  
and restore the prosperity of the  
American people.

## GIRL BOLSHIEVSKY SAYS MARRIAGES LOVELESS

18-Year-Old Flouts Court, Says Society Is Rotting.

New York, Oct. 23.—Little Mollie  
Stimmer, the 18-year-old co-defendant  
with five men leaders of New York's  
Bolsheviks, who declined to stand in  
court several days ago when a hand-  
some outside played the Star Spangled  
Banner, during the trial of the six on  
the charge of circulating seditious  
literature, today refused to be sworn  
as a witness. She gave no answer  
to questions by Federal Judge Clay-  
ton and sniffed contemptuously at all  
conventions of society.

"Move, your honor, that she be  
adjudged a nut," said an assistant  
Federal Attorney S. L. Miller.

"What can I do?" smiled the judge.  
"She is already in jail."

"The organization of society is rot-  
ting, and that is the reason for it,"  
said the girl declared on the witness  
stand. "People steal because they  
are in need."

"Do you believe in laws protect-  
ing health and morality?" asked the  
judge.

"I don't believe the laws do protect  
health and morality," she replied.  
"Do you believe in the laws of mar-  
riage?"

"When a girl marries nowadays it  
is because she wants to get rid of the  
factory and wants a home—not be-  
cause of love," was the answer of this  
amazing witness.

Mollie admitted distributing circulars  
in which the intervention by  
America in Russian affairs was at-  
tacked.

## "SCHOOL DAYS"



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Hurry up!

Did I  
git him?

Squirrel and nut time

With the removal of bureau of ordi-  
nance from the Interior Building, the  
Navy Department is now virtually ex-  
isting in the park south of B street.  
The bureau of medicine and surgery  
moved last week, and the office force  
of the Secretary of the Navy ac-  
cordingly moved into the new quarters  
established in the park south of B street.

The new building is a fine example  
of modern architecture, and it is  
located in a beautiful park.